

June 21, 2013

Dear Superintendent/Administrator:

Re: NCLB 13-04 ESEA Update #4 - Title I Carryover Waiver Approved

The US Department of Education (ED) has approved Arizona's request for additional flexibility related to the carryover limitations for Title I, Part A funds, specifically a waiver of the once in three year limitation, as outlined in Section 1127(b) of Title I.

While the statute limits the carryover amount for LEAs to 15% of the annual allocation, it also provides an option for LEAs to request the ADE to grant a waiver of that limit no more than once every three years. Approval of this request enables you to request to carry over more than 15% of your FY2013 Title I, Part A funds, even if you received a waiver for FY2012 funds.

The process for applying for a 15% carryover limit waiver remains the same. ADE Grants management staff calculates if the 15% threshold is exceeded and notifies the LEA of the opportunity to verify that all allowable obligations for the initial 15-month availability period of the funds have been cleared but that the remainder still exceeds the 15% limit, requiring a waiver. Under the authority of this waiver, the ADE will grant LEA waivers where the request is reasonable and necessary, per Section 1127(b), regardless of the three year waiver history.

LEAs are reminded that this waiver applies only to flexibility regarding **when** Title I funds are available to the LEA. All other Title I requirements remain in place.

Sincerely,

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